



Summer Village of Ma-Me-O Beach
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
Saturday, December 4, 2010 at 10:00 am
Summer Villages Office Council Chambers

MINUTES

Present:

Don Fleming, Mayor
John Slater, Deputy Mayor
Peter Langelle, Councillor

Sylvia Roy, CAO

Mayor Fleming called the meeting to order at 10:11 am.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Res. #10-139

Moved by Deputy Mayor Slater to adopt the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Res. #10-140

Moved by Deputy Mayor Slater that the Minutes of the August 13, 2010 Regular Council Meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS AND VISITORS

Mr. Ron Lupton

At 10:12 am Council welcomed Mr. Ron Lupton. Mr. Lupton did not wish to speak to Council as there were members in the public gallery and he departed from Council Chambers at 10:12 am.

Ms. Donna Hovsepian, Aboriginal Relations Senior Advisor, Alberta Environment

At 10:19 am Council welcomed Ms. Donna Hovsepian, Aboriginal Relations Senior Advisor for Alberta Environment. Ms. Hovsepian advised Council and Administration of the consultation process for First Nations representatives to discuss what impact, if any, the removal of the Ma-Me-O Beach pier would have on the First Nations individuals in the area. Of importance is to advise them of the negative impact of the pier on the lake (ie) excessive weeds, stagnant water and sand bars) and the absence of the pier would assist in the preservation of the lake. A memorial plaque for the pier may assist in the transition of pier removal as well as gathering of any possible historic significance to the First Nations people.

BYLAWS & POLICIES

Policy #01-2002, Council Member Honorarium & Meeting fees

Res. #10-141

Moved by Councillor Langelle to approve Policy #01-2002, Council Member Honorarium & Meeting fees, as presented.

CARRIED

COUNCIL/COMMITTEE REPORTS/DISCUSSION ITEMS

Ma-Me-O Recreation Society

Council reviewed a letter from the Ma-Me-O Beach Recreation Society in which some requests were made. Administration was directed to respond to the letter by agreeing to requests to use the Summer Village website for Recreation Society item and to temporary shelving in the in the firehall, but advising that prohibiting the public's use of portable barbeques in the pier park would be difficult to police. A commitment has not been made for the use of the firehall for the flea market as the future use of the building is unknown at this time.

Joint Services Committee

Res. #10-142

Moved by Councillor Langelle to approve the Joint Services Committee's recommendation to apply grant funding towards the shared purchase cost of office, computer/server upgrades for the shared administrative office and proceed with TownLife website hosting.

CARRIED

Wastewater Projects

Pigeon Lake Regional Wastewater Committee

Deputy Mayor Slater reported that a brief committee meeting was held on November 22, 2010 at which First Nations Representatives were in attendance and supportive of the project.

Local Wastewater Collection System Update

Administration advised that letters were sent to all residents notifying them that Associated Engineering representatives will be entering private yards for the purpose of gathering information on private sewage disposal systems and for a topographic survey.

Playground Safety and Compliance Audit

Council reviewed the playground safety audit performed on November 7, 2010.

Res. #10-143

Moved by Mayor Fleming that Administration ensure that all items identified as Class A hazards be remediated as soon as possible.

CARRIED

Pier Project

Further information is required prior to completion of an application for removal of the Ma-Me-O Beach pier.

Wireless High Speed Internet Project

A more robust router is required to assist with uninterrupted service.

Res. #10-144

Moved by Deputy Mayor Slater that the Summer Village of Ma-Me-O Beach purchase a new router if required.

CARRIED

Resident Letter Re: Vegetation Removal

A letter will be drafted in response to a resident regarding the removal of vegetation from municipal property, stating that residents will be reminded that such removal is unlawful and this item will also be addressed in the next newsletter.

RCMP/Policing

Res. #10-145

Moved by Mayor Fleming that the Summer Village of Ma-Me-O Beach pursue the Regional Collaboration Program grant to fund the hiring of a consultant to investigate a regional RCMP/ municipal bylaw enforcement model.

CARRIED

Recreational Lakes Workshop

Res. #10-146

Moved by Councillor Langelle that the Summer Village of Ma-Me-O Beach draft a letter to Minister Renner, stating appreciation for the reduction of water volume allowable by MEC Operating Company's Water License, and request that more computer monitoring of water levels be performed by Alberta Environment.

CARRIED

Municipal Emergency Planning Update

The potential of a regional approach to emergency management was discussed at the September 27, 2010 meeting of the Pigeon Lake Summer Village Strategic Alliance, at which the Alberta Emergency Management Agency representatives made a presentation.

Res. 10-147

Moved by Mayor Fleming that the Regional Collaboration Program be sought to fund the hiring of a consultant to investigate the feasibility of delivering regional Emergency Management among the 10 Summer Villages surrounding Pigeon Lake, and further that the consultant would advise what would be the preferred option for the regional approach.

CARRIED

Municipal Sustainability Strategy

Councillor Langelle presented the Municipal Sustainability Strategy as unveiled by Alberta Municipal Affairs. It was noted that a review of the 8 key measures of sustainability reveal that the Summer Village of Ma-Me-O Beach fits the criteria of a sustainable community.

Land Use Bylaw Review

It has been noted that there are some discrepancies in the Ma-Me-O Beach Land Use Bylaw and clauses that may be misinterpreted. Council will identify areas of concern within the Bylaw with a view to Land Use Bylaw revision in the New Year.

Association of Summer Villages of Alberta

Mr. Langelle reported that there are new members on the ASVA Board and a number of initiatives will be launched including new and improved website, newsletters and increased communication to members, increased and effective lobbying.

Council Strategic Planning Session

The strategic planning session has been tentatively scheduled for January 22 & 23, 2011.

Financial Reports:

Financial Report

Res. #10-148

Moved by Mayor Fleming to accept the financial report for the period ending September 30, 2010 and cheque listing as information.

CARRIED

Res. #10-148

Moved by Mayor Fleming to approve the addition of Gail Coleman, Financial Officer, to the Alberta Treasury Branch (ATB) signing authorities for the Summer Village of Ma-Me-O Beach.

CARRIED

Adjournment

Res. #10-150

Moved by Mayor Fleming to adjourn the meeting at 2:22 pm.

CARRIED



Don Fleming, Mayor
Summer Village of Ma-Me-O Beach



Sylvia Roy, CAO
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